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NO MORE TALK ON STRAITS

London, Oct. 9.
Britain considers that the preliminary conversation between Turkey and the Big Three powers on the future of the Black Sea Straits, which it was agreed at Potsdam should precede any revision of the 1936 Montreux Convention, have now served their purpose, the Foreign Office spokesman stated today.
He added that the British Government saw no further purpose in continuing them.
Observers here think this statement indicates that Britain considers the time is ripe to call an international conference of the signatories of the 1936 Montreux Convention. Japan would probably be excluded from the conference, while the United States—not a signatory—would certainly be included.
The Soviet Government is believed to be anxious to continue preliminary discussions with Turkey until the views of the two Governments are brought closer together.—Reuter.

Confidence In Dakotas

London, Oct. 9.
Accidents to Dakota aircraft were referred to in the House of Commons today by Captain Gamman, Conservative, who asked if the Government was aware of the public concern.
The Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Civil Aviation, Mr. G. Lindgren, replied that the Dakota was a well established type of transport aircraft, which had been used extensively throughout the world for many years. The accidents were rightly a matter of concern, but he was satisfied that United Kingdom corporations were justified in their confidence in this aircraft.
Although there had been three accidents this year to civil Dakota aircraft operated by United Kingdom corporations, no passengers were killed, but one unfortunately broke his leg.—Reuter.

Add Famous Last Words Series

Nuernberg, Oct. 10.
Wilhelm Keitel, condemned German Field Marshal, who has asked the Allied Control Council to be shot instead of hanged, declared that he hoped his execution would serve as a "blessing to the German people" and a credit to the German Army.
The former chief of Hitler's High Command wrote to the Council on Oct. 5. It was leaked yesterday.
"I will be glad to give my life, demanded by the verdict, in expiation," he wrote.
"All that I have done or omitted had its roots in my mental attitude as a soldier, and in the conviction that fate is at all times unchangeable. If I compare faith to the German people, which is unchangeable, with unconditional faith to Hitler as the Supreme Commander of the Army, so it has been," Keitel continued.
"Members of the Control Council for Germany are old soldiers. So I hope they will understand a guilt that has grown up from a feeling that the world of necessary and honourable and on the basis of a good soldier."
"I did not understand the limits to such military virtue, I still believe. I have not lost the chance of expiating such an error by a death, which is due to a soldier, if he is to face the judgment of death," the letter added.—Associated Press.

A G. B. S. Flop At Last

London, Oct. 9.
Mr. George Bernard Shaw did not attend the ceremony of presenting him with the Freedom of St. Pancras at St. Pancras Town Hall, London, today.
He stumbled and bruised his leg at his London flat yesterday, and remained indoors on medical advice.
A recording of the speech he would have made at the ceremony was played.
In his recorded speech, delivered in a clear but at times faltering voice, Mr. Shaw said: "When one is very old, as I am, one of the unpleasantnesses is that your legs give in before your head does. Consequently, you are always tumbling about. I tumble down about three times a week quite regularly and most unfortunately I had a bad fall yesterday."
"It was perfectly plain that if I were to address you in person, I would fall from time to time and that would be very embarrassing and very unbecoming, and accordingly I have taken this method of letting you hear my voice, but not letting you see me flop."—Reuter.

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Reds Infiltrating Into Government

RIFT IN CABINET?

New York, Oct. 9.
The New York newspaper P.M.'s London correspondent, Frederick Kuh, declared today that differences of opinion about Palestine policy were responsible for the reshuffle in the British Cabinet so far as it concerned Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, former Secretary of State and now Secretary for Air.
"Mr. Noel-Baker dissented strongly from Mr. Ernest Bevin's policy towards Palestine where he wanted the Labour Government to moderate its support of the Arab rulers," said Kuh.
"He also objected to Mr. Bevin's approach to the problems of Greece and Spain where he urged a more determined anti-Fascist line."—Reuter.

CHINA'S WORST AIR DISASTER

Sichang, Oct. 10.
A search plane has located the burned wreckage of the Chinese National Airway transport plane in the wild Lolo country, 20 miles southwest of Sichang.
It is believed that the American pilot and 31 Chinese on board may have perished. Earlier accounts had said that all on board were safe but in the custody of the Lolos.
The crash was the worst in Chinese civil air history. The transport crashed on Sept. 20 after taking off for a regular flight to Kunming.
The Chinese Airways is organizing a party to go to the scene, high up on the 14,000 foot Lolo Mountain.—Associated Press.

F.I.B. Charges Of Subversive Acts

Washington, Oct. 10.
The United States Chamber of Commerce, charging that Communists have infiltrated into the Government and have driven many faithful public servants out of it, demanded today that the Communist Party be forced to disclose its membership and finances.
A report prepared by the Chamber's Committee on Socialism and Communism named specifically the Treasury and Labour Departments as agencies into which Reds have bored.
The report, made public after its acceptance by the Chamber's Board of Directors, also declared that Communists have infiltrated into labour unions.
It asserted that two of the "top advisors of the Congress of Industrial Organization's Political Action Committee are Communists," taking direct and frequent orders from the very top levels of the Communist Party.
Francis Matthews, attorney and chairman of the Committee, refused to disclose the sources of his information neither would he name the persons referred to in the report.
F.B.I. Charges
A Treasury Department spokesman said that the Treasury had no comment on so general a statement.
Secretary of Labour Lewis B. Schwelb, commenting on the report, said that he had appointed a Committee of three department officials to investigate and report on charges of subversive activity made through the Federal Bureau of Investigation against "a number of Labour Department employees."—Associated Press.

Drastic Action Urged

Seattle, Oct. 10.
Harold E. Stassen, former war, delegate to the United States naval officer during the war, delegate to the United Nations Organisation conference in San Francisco and a Republican Party leader, today proposed citizenship forfeiture for Americans who "follow the line of any other country."
Addressing a Republican campaign rally, Stassen proposed that the Party take the stand that "any citizen who treasonably and persistently follows the line of any other nation to the exclusion and harm of our own nation—whether that other line be Communist, Imperialistic or Fascist—serves neither mankind nor his country and deserves neither citizenship nor public nor civic leadership."—Associated Press.

Large-Scale Infiltration?

Miami Beach, Oct. 10.
Anastasio Somoza, President of Nicaragua, charged in an interview here today that not only Latin America but the whole of the hemisphere is being infiltrated by Communists and he urged the 21 American Republics to "get together quick and throw the Reds back across the Atlantic."
He said "I urge the United States to take the lead and let us all get together and throw the Communists out from Alaska to Cape Horn."—Associated Press.

NAZIS' APPEALS

London, Oct. 9.
The Swiss Radio said tonight that all appeals for clemency by those sentenced to death by the Nuernberg War Crimes Tribunal have been rejected by the Allied Control Council.
"This is not confirmed. The latest news direct from Berlin is that the Control Council there adjourned until tomorrow after holding two secret sessions today to consider the appeals."—Reuter.

STILWELL ILL

San Francisco, Oct. 10.
General Joseph W. Stilwell, 63, hero of the Burma Campaign and now commander of the United States 6th Army, is critically ill from a liver condition believed contracted in the Burma jungles, his physician announced today.
Stilwell entered Letterman General Hospital at San Francisco and was operated on Oct. 3. His progress was satisfactory until today.—Associated Press.

No Meddling In Greek Politics

London, Oct. 9.
An assurance that British troops never had been and never would be used to support the Greek Government in the persecution of political opponents was given by Mr. Hector McNeill, Minister of State, in the House of Commons today to Mr. William Warbey, Labour critic of Mr. Ernest Bevin's policy on Greece.

Warning By De Gaulle

(By Harold King)

Paris, Oct. 10.
Four days before 20,000,000 men and women of France go to the polls to say "yes" or "no" in a referendum on the proposed constitution, General Charles de Gaulle tonight advised his fellow citizens to vote "no."

"I confidently hope," General de Gaulle said in a statement issued here, "that in the interests of France, Frenchmen and women will say 'no' next Sunday."
General de Gaulle declared that if the proposed constitution were accepted by the nation it would mean in reality a prolongation of the present regime in "artificial."
"The political parties would be able to dispose of—at their will and without any counter-proposals—all of the State's papers," the General added.

He affirmed that if the nation voted for the constitution as proposed it would lead "first, to powerlessness, then anarchy, and finally dictatorship—all three of which would be deadly risks in our present situation."
General de Gaulle has thus burned the bridges between himself and the main political parties on whom the Parliamentary Government in France depends.—Reuter.

CANADIAN BEEF FOR BRITAIN

Ottawa, Oct. 10.
Britain and Canada signed a contract providing for the purchase by Britain of a minimum of 120,000,000 pounds of Canadian beef in 1947 and a maximum of 120,000,000 pounds in 1948.—Associated Press.

SUPREMO's FIVE WORDS

London, Oct. 9.
Five pencilled words on a foolscap sheet written by Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, when he was appointed Supreme Allied Commander in Southeast Asia in 1943, were the basis of operations which defeated the Japanese two and a half years later, it was revealed here today by Admiral Mountbatten himself.
Addressing an audience of admirals, air marshals and officers at the Royal United Services Institution on strategy in Southeast Asia, Admiral Mountbatten said: "It was a shattering surprise to me when I was offered the job of Supreme Allied Commander. I immediately got a foolscap sheet and pencil and wrote down what I felt were the important factors for the war in that theatre. They were: Morale, Terrain, Monsoon, Disease and Priority."—Reuter.

NEW FAR EAST AIR ROUTE

St. Paul, Minnesota, Oct. 9.
The North-West Passage, for which explorers searched several centuries ago, will become a reality on February 2, 1947, when the North-west Airlines Incorporated is scheduled to begin regular flights to the Orient over the short-cut "Great Circle" course.
The new route has already been given final approval by the Government's Civil Aeronautics Board and President Harry Truman will give the United States its first commercial air link with Tokyo.

Schedules already prepared call for flights from New York to Tokyo in 24 hours, from New York to Shanghai in 27 hours, and from New York to Manila in under 31 hours. New York and Chicago will be the terminals in the United States. Planes from New York destined for the Orient will make stops in Detroit, Milwaukee, Minneapolis-St. Paul, Edmonton, Anchorage, Tokyo, Shanghai and Manila. Other ports of call in the Orient are Seoul, Harbin, Mukden, Dairen, Peiping and Nanking.
At Tokyo, the Northwest Airlines planes will connect with Trans World Airlines planes flying westward from India. An alternative route with Seattle, Tacoma, as co-terminals will join the main route to the Orient at Anchorage. Present flights from Tacoma and Seattle to Alaska will be augmented on November 1 with flights through Minneapolis-St. Paul to Edmonton and Anchorage.

First Survey

The first survey flight over the entire Asiatic route is to be made not later than January 1, 1947.
Croft Hunter, president and general manager of Northwest Airlines referred to the new route in his annual report as "an adventure."
He added: "For all its boldness, it is essentially a business venture based upon a study of traffic potentials. This study reveals at the outset the great need of the Far East for transportation, most of which was paralysed during the war. It shows also, the need for machinery and a great variety of goods. It discloses that through private initiative and Government backing, entire industries are being revived."

Closer Ties

"It points to the possibility of developing hydro-electric power and utilising latent resources. It discloses that both imports and exports, though still well below pre-war figures, are increasing; that crops next spring will approach seasonal averages; that the people are at ease with the hope of bettering their lot. Improvement of their living standards will further a new era in reciprocal trade. Closer ties with those lands will follow."
"New and rapid transportation will be continued and will speed officials, engineers and various technicians back and forth between the United States to make preliminary surveys, set up organisations, and arrange for the flow of goods and equipment that is so badly needed."—Associated Press.

Gang War Show-Down Expected

Jerusalem, Oct. 9.
The Haganah, the Jewish Resistance movement estimated to number 80,000, is mobilising for an all-out "offensive" against the Irgun Zvai Leumi and the Stern Gang, the two Jewish extremist organisations—according to unimpeachable sources here tonight.

The "showdown" in what has hitherto been a purely propaganda "war" between the Haganah and the terrorist groups, is expected to erupt in Jerusalem, the same sources said.
Although both the Haganah and the Irgun Zvai Leumi and its "assassination wing," the Stern Gang, have been disputing for several months, it had been thought the Haganah would not launch a real "purge" in order to avoid internal strife.
But the latest outrages, involving a number of British troops, which moderate Jews declare are "smearing the Zionist cause" have convinced the Haganah that action, and not words are necessary at this vital phase in Zionist history, according to these sources.—Reuter.

Wine Scandal In France

Paris, Oct. 9.
The French Cabinet today discussed the so-called "wine scandal."
A statement issued later said: "The Government unanimously wishes to see the struggle against the black market in all its forms, and notably in the affair now being investigated, pitilessly pursued without regard to parties or persons."
The "wine scandal" now under judicial investigation arose from rumours that highly placed politicians and civil servants had been involved in extremely profitable illegal dealings in Algerian wine.—Reuter.

GENERAL MORGAN PROMOTED

London, Oct. 10.
The War Office announced today that Lieutenant-General Sir William D. Morgan, Allied Supreme Commander, Central Mediterranean Forces, has been named Commander of the British Army Staff in Washington and Army member of the joint Staff Mission, effective in the Spring of 1947.
General Morgan, whose successor in the Mediterranean has not yet been announced, will succeed Field-Marshal Lord Wilson in Washington.—Associated Press.

THE WEATHER

The anticyclone now extending from SW China to the Pacific East of Japan, pressure being highest over the lower Yangtze and over northern Japan. A shallow trough of low pressure extends from southern Indo-China through the Pacific east of the Philippines.
Forecast: Moderate NE winds veering to East Fair at first, cloudy later. Weather warm.

Miniature Battle In Italian Capital

Rome, Oct. 10.
At least one was killed and nearly 100 others wounded in a three-hour battle yesterday outside the Viminale Palace, seat of the Italian Government, between police and workers protesting against their dismissal from a public works project in Rome.

A Government communiqué at 1345 GMT said that one had died of injuries and that 50 demonstrators and 29 police, including four officers, were wounded.
Earlier reports had set the number of dead at at least three. The Government communiqué did not specify whether the dead man was a policeman or worker.
The Government communiqué blamed "trouble-makers" for touching off the rioting, that mounted to a point where an estimated 20,000 to 30,000 demonstrators surged before the Viminale at one time. Most of the demonstrators were employees of the Public Works Department due to lose their jobs on Saturday next.

Police and helmeted Carabinieri used clubs, swords, tear gas and two armoured cars in what, for three hours, was a fruitless effort to clear the streets of demonstrators.
Many of those injured were reported in a serious condition, the Government communiqué said. The communiqué also said that posters announcing the termination of the work project for Saturday—which set the workers marching against the Viminale—had been erroneously put up yesterday morning.
Incidentally the communiqué said the authorities were still working on a plan for a new project which would absorb the unemployed.—Associated Press.

MOLOTOV ATTACKS TRIESTE PLAN

Keeping Area Under Anglo-American Control

Western Nations Isolating Slavs

Paris, Oct. 10.

The Soviet Foreign Minister, M. V. Molotov, yesterday described the Italian treaty draft plan for Trieste as an "un-Democratic" means of keeping the area under Anglo-American control.

Speaking for the Soviet Union in the Peace-Conference Plenary Session, Molotov declared that the statute adopted by the Italian Political Commission lodged "absolute power in a Foreign Governor and left the city's population" under foreign troops.

"This means that Trieste is not an international free territory, but a semi-enemy territory supervised and under control of the Anglo-American forces," Molotov declared.

He demanded that the Conference transfer power in Trieste to a Government elected by the popular assembly, similar to that of the pre-war Government in Danzig.

Addressing himself to the "Western bloc" nations, Mr. Molotov criticised what he termed "attempts by the old Democracies to isolate the young Slav Democracies, as these are trying to maintain their new international institutions and are not willing to do the bidding of some other powers."

A Colony?

"The Anglo-American proposals for Trieste mean in actual fact making the city something like a colony," he said. The French proposal, which the Commission adopted, was "nothing more than a revised version of the British-American proposals."

"This," said Mr. Molotov, "presents the people of Trieste with a semi-colonial, enfranchised state in a milder form."

West Warned

Mr. Molotov asserted that this was in contradiction with the decisions of the Foreign Ministers Council on Trieste.

"The plan embodies such restrictions on the legislature and executive, and grants such wide powers to the Governor, that hardly anything remains of Democracy," the Russian Minister declared.

Molotov appealed for conciliation between the Slav and non-Slav nations, but warned the Western nations that they must respect the rights and position of the Slav states.

"An accord is possible among all," he said, "to the extent that nations do not attempt to impose their will on other nations."

Mr. Molotov charged that the Western Nations sought to include "China, India and even Ethiopia, simply to increase their numbers of votes."

He then warned that "this division of the nations into Eastern and Western, into Slav and non-Slav states, is obviously leading us into absurdities."

No Dictation

Warning against attempts by the West to dictate to the new

"JANE"



BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



Just to Be Sure



BY EDGAR MARTIN



DEMPSEY FLIES TO BRITAIN

London, Oct. 9.

Lieutenant-General Sir Miles Dempsey, Commander-in-Chief, Middle East Land Forces, who is at present visiting Athens, is flying to Britain, where he is expected to arrive on Friday.

It is understood that General Dempsey's return to London was planned before the Greek Government lodged its request for arms from Britain with which to equip Home Guard units in the north of Greece. Britain's decision on this request is now likely to be deferred until after the Ministers concerned have had the opportunity to consult General Dempsey on conditions in Greece.—Reuter.

Strikers Adamant

Washington, Oct. 10.

Efforts by the Government to end the nine-day-old shipping strike bogged down at least temporarily in disagreement over extending any east coast settlement to the Pacific.

All ports are closed in the strike of the C.I.O. Maritime Engineers and the A. F. L. masters, mates and pilots over higher pay and preferential hiring for union members.

Daylong conferences under the guidance of cautious Government conciliators encountered an impasse.

Agreement on the east and gulf coasts by both unions appeared possible but the engineers insisted the Maritime Commission renew the commitment it made a week ago to put into effect on west coast governmental vessels terms of any agreement reached with the Atlantic and Gulf carriers.

Eastern shipowners already have accepted in principle the preferential hiring for union deck officers and engineers in previous contracts but the Pacific American shipowners' association is steadfast against such a system.

Wages are not major obstacles in the strike settlement.—Associated Press.

RADIO STRIKE THEAT

Paris, Oct. 9.

Employees of the nationalised French Broadcasting Company have threatened to strike on Friday. The Executive Committee of Radio Workers declared in a statement today that the Government proposals relating to their wage claim did not satisfy their demands.—Reuter.

Italian territory, was adopted without comment or objection.

The Conference unanimously sped through Articles 6 to 9 inclusive, conceding the Tenda Briga and other small areas to France along the Alpine frontier with Italy.—Associated Press.

Commons Questions On Siam Rice

London, Oct. 9.

Replying to a question in the Commons by Sir Waldron Smithers (Conservative), about the number and cost of Lord Killearn's establishment in Malaya, Major Mayhew, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said that the figures which the Foreign Secretary gave on July 29, although based on information available here, were incomplete. The staff numbered at the beginning of August some 350 persons, excluding a considerable number of drivers and maintenance staff.

The total annual cost of the Mission is estimated at £326,500. This covers salaries, broadcasting units, telegrams, transport and housing, but excludes office rent.

The Colonial Secretary also told the House that every effort is being made to see that as much rice and flour as possible is shipped to Malaya.

Colonel Rees Williams, Labour, had asked the new Minister how he was dealing with the grave food shortage in the Malayan Union and Singapore, and Captain Gammans, Conservative, asked if he was aware of the hardship which was being caused in Malaya by a reduction in the rice ration.

Mr. Creech Jones replied: "The shortage is not one of food generally, but mainly of imported rice and flour. The reduction in the rice ration has undoubtedly caused a serious hardship, and although there has been a small compensating increase in the flour ration, I fully realise the combined cereal ration is very low."

"With the cooperation of the Ministers of Food and Transport I am making every effort to see that as much rice and flour as can be made available in the existing supply position is shipped to these territories. Everything possible is being done by the Governors concerned to ensure the maximum production of food supplies locally."

Siam Rice

Captain Gammans asked had not Malaya expected to get a large quantity of rice from Siam and was this likely to be forthcoming? When would the rice ration be raised?

The Colonial Secretary: "There are special difficulties in regard to rice from Siam, but we hope the supplies which were to have gone to China will now be diverted to Malaya."

Mr. Walter Fletcher, Conservative, recalled a parliamentary statement that Lord Killearn had signed a contract for 1,500,000 tons of rice from Siam, and asked the Colonial Secretary to explain why if there was this surplus in Siam, the British Government had been unable to move it less than 500 miles to a country where there was severe famine.

Mr. Creech Jones: "It is impossible to enter into details of

Where Are We Heading?

Washington, Oct. 9.

Sumner Welles, former Under-Secretary of State, declares in a book sharply attacking Secretary of State Byrnes that both Russia and the United States must change their policies if the danger of an atomic war is to be averted.

Among his criticisms of foreign policy are these:—

1. The United States has failed to promote unity in China and faces grave dangers there.

2. The United States has failed either to regenerate the Japanese people or to handle Japanese policies in a way to promote international cooperation.

At one point, Welles accuses Byrnes of having tried to "appease" Russia at a meeting in Moscow last December by yielding to Soviet demands for domination of the Balkan states. In so doing, Welles says, Byrnes was guilty of a "cowardly retreat" from the policy of the "freely elected" Balkan Governments which the late President Roosevelt had persuaded Generalissimo Stalin to accept at Yalta.

Welles' book, "Where Are We Heading?" will be published today. The author characterises both Byrnes and President Harry Truman as having come into control of American destinies without the "slightest knowledge of international relations."

Welles asserts that Byrnes particularly has "continually vacillated" in his policies toward Russia, while the Kremlin has been alert to take advantage of any weakness in United States diplomacy.

"Both countries are rapidly becoming involved in a vicious circle which, unless it is promptly cleared out, may well presage an atomic war."

Welles attributes much of the post war upset of foreign relations to the death of Franklin Roosevelt.—Associated Press.

Gold In Them Thar Vaults

Washington, Oct. 10.

Uncle Sam still has plenty of gold for sale, although the earth's biggest stockpile of the precious metal at Fort Knox, Kentucky, is now down about \$1,000,000,000 worth from its peak value.

Not just anybody can buy the gold. Legitimate uses are limited largely to a few industrial, professional, and artistic purposes and for settlement of international balances.

The peak amount stored at Fort Knox was about \$13,000,000,000 worth of gold at one time.—Associated Press.

SCHOOL CRASH DEATHS

Speldorn, Holland, Oct. 10.

The death toll now is 23 in the crash of a stunt plane into the roof directly over the gymnasium of a school here on Tuesday.

This figure includes 21 boys, the young pilot, and the pilot's mother, who died of heart failure when she saw her son's plane crash.—Associated Press.



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HONG KONG CELEBRATION OF DOUBLE TENTH ANNIVERSARY

Chinese Art Show

(By Luis Chan)

The exhibition of Chinese paintings by Mr. Kwan Shan-yuet now being held under the auspices of the Hong Kong Working Artists' Guild at St. John's Cathedral Hall, Garden Road, is one that is worth visiting, and I congratulate the artist for his success in producing such a great variety of views of the nine provinces in the S.W. and N.W. of China which he has spent no less than six solid years to produce.

In the main, the artist, being a successful pupil of Mr. Kao Chien-fu, one of the leading artists of China, has successfully combined a technique in which both the western and eastern methods are employed. Among the paintings in which western influence is predominant are No. 57 "The Ferry in Yangtze River," No. 31 "Kang Lung Monastery in Chilin-Shan," and No. 62 "Autumn Landscape." Indeed one can hardly deny that his "Morning in the Wu Mountains, Szechuan" (No. 82) is not an ordinary watercolour one may expect to find in the watercolour paintings of the English School.

Whether his misty subjects owe much to western influence is not certain, as such are a feature of our traditional art. Among those successful efforts in this connection may be mentioned Nos. 10, 17, 23, 55, 56, 60, 71 and 79, of which the last one is perhaps the most satisfactory, the hills being perfectly rendered—one could feel the thick foliage covering the hill tops, though in No. 56 "Minkiang Landscape" the rendering of the barren trees seems to lack character.

Perhaps the most characteristic is his "The East Wooden Gate" (No. 77) in which both subject and treatment are characteristic of our tradition. Among the other exhibits in which the artist has fully retained his tradition may be mentioned at random No. 4 "Chilin Mountains" in which the typical clouds on the left join the line of the hill tops on the right in an harmonious manner and No. 76 "Sugar cane Fields in Szechuan," the foreground fields being painted a typical green of the Northern School.

Unique Record Of Ralph Reader

Ralph Reader, who produced the R.A.F. No. 1 Gang Show now playing at the C.S.E. Star Theatre, created a unique record in show business history when a number of years ago he had no fewer than nine shows running simultaneously on Broadway in New York.

Going to England in 1934 he conceived the idea of a Scout charity show which he produced under the name of Halborn Rover. It ran at the La Scala Theatre in London and was a tremendous success becoming then an annual institution. So great was the success of these shows and so great was the public demand to see them that seats for the performances were booked up as much as six months ahead. The show was filmed by Herbert Wilcox under the name of "Gang Show."

On the outbreak of war Ralph Reader joined the R.A.F. two days after hostilities had begun, and received permission to take ten civilians from a Gang Show which was running at that time to France. This company was the first entertainment unit in France. They played throughout the "phony" war and left France via Dunkirk. On their safe arrival in England the ten civilian artists in this, the No. 1 Gang Show, joined the R.A.F. and together with Ralph Reader helped to build up an organisation which at the end of the war had a total of 25 shows on the road simultaneously. Two out of the 25 shows were "R.A.F. Companies."

At one time in the Middle East the Gang Shows became so popular that they offered serious competition to E.N.S.A.

Ralph Reader, now demobilised, is appearing at the Stoll Theatre in London with a Gang Show made up of 80 artists all of whom are demobilised R.A.F. personnel. This show is proving a tremendous success. In spite of other entertainment commitments, Ralph Reader still finds time to keep in personal touch with all his other productions still running in the R.A.F.

Unprecedented scenes were witnessed yesterday as the Chinese community celebrated the thirty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Republic of China.

From early morning the streets were a seething mass of humanity as pleasure seeking holiday crowds wended their way to the "Dragon" displays and other sights.

The Chinese national flag was much in evidence and was flown from practically every building and shop. In the morning a mass meeting, attended by over 2,000 people, was held at the King's Theatre. Representatives of all public and other organisations as well as schools were present. A resolution was passed pledging loyalty to the Government and urging all parties to sink their differences in the interest of national unity and reconstruction.

Sino-British Friendship
Principal official function of the day was a reception at the residence of Mr. T. W. Kwok, Special Chinese Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, at which leading Government officials, leading Service personnel, the Consular Body, and prominent

ground fields being painted a typical green of the Northern School.

Among the features characteristic of Szechuan Province are the several "Salt Wells" (Nos. 2, 66 & 81) and "Water-mills" (Nos. 9, 23 & 24). Also included is a painting depicting Shensi cave dwellers (No. 12).

There are quite a number of studies of the Tribe of which the most colourful are the pair Nos. 13 & 22, both bearing the title "Meeting by the Temple, Chinghai," while Nos. 34 "A Tribe Girl" is a portrait study with lines characteristic of the orient to which many western masters, such as Henri Matisse, James McBeay and others, owe their influence.

One could deal at length with the great variety and number of exhibits. I have said nothing of the artist's interpretations of the many historical wall-paintings in the T'uan-Huang Cave which may reveal, through his skill, the greatness of our ancient art in which the influence of Indian Art is strongly felt.

The exhibition is on till Monday, and I would urge those who are interested in Art to attend.

Russia Plays 'Santa Claus'

Berlin, Oct. 9.
The Russian Military Government announced yesterday that it planned to distribute cigarettes and spirits to all German civilians in all four occupation sectors during October.

Ordinarily such periodic rations are only promised to residents of the Russian sector. For this month, the Russians promised 20 cigarettes for every man and 10 for every woman out of a stock of 80,000,000 cigarettes "made from tobacco which came from the Soviet Union."

Almost every Soviet controlled newspaper is printing promises of special shipments of vegetables, coal and other items. Berlin's first post-war elections are scheduled for October 20. Associated Press.

Information has been received that Mrs. Mervyn Reynolds and her two children are passengers on board the "Empress of Australia," due in Hong Kong on Oct. 20. Mrs. Reynolds is joining her husband, Lt. Col. M. L. Reynolds, OBE, of H.Q. Land Forces, and will be living at Chik Chiu Lau, Fort Stanley, telephone number 31620.

residents of the Colony, both Chinese and foreign, were present.

Mr. T. W. Kwok, in welcoming his guests, said that it was indeed a day of rejoicing for China despite the fact that she was still in the grip of internal dissension. Eight years of warfare had taught the Chinese to understand the value of goodwill and the friendship of her wartime allies, not the least of whom was Great Britain, and it gave him very great pleasure to express to his British friends China's appreciations of their help and encouragement.

Patience Asked

Despite innumerable difficulties China had made progress in various fields including those of education, women's franchise, law enforcement and improvement of the judicial system, modernisation of industry, and democratisation. He appealed for patience from China's friends and well-wishers, and asked for their constructive suggestions.

Sir Mark Young, replying, said that all friends of China rejoiced with her in her celebration and in the achievements she has made in the face of great difficulties, and added that their best wishes went to China in her efforts to rehabilitate herself and to overcome her difficulties.

School children attended school in the morning to hear the reading of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen's will and to bow three times before his photograph. Speeches were delivered and the gatherings broke up with the singing of patriotic songs.

Huge Procession

The climax of the day's celebrations was the torchlight procession, in which thousands of men, women and children, representing labour organisations, clubs, factories, schools and business firms participated. Those taking part began to take up their places at the starting point on Southern, Playground, Wanchai, from one o'clock onwards. The procession moved off at 6 p.m. and proceeded through the principal streets of the Colony, ending up at West Point and returning to disperse at Queen's Pier.

The streets through which the procession passed were packed to capacity and it was with great difficulty that the surging crowds were kept back to make room for the procession. Large numbers who did not wish to miss the procession took up their places at vantage points along the route early in the day. The Queen's Road end of Murray Parade Ground was a popular choice and by 8 p.m. the "House Full" sign was up.

Dragon Displays

The artistically made up floats and tableaux drawn on lorries, as well as the multi-farious embroidered silk banners and streamers drew much admiration and praise from the crowds. Scenes from the past to the present were represented. Bands playing Chinese and European music were freely interspersed between the scenes. Performing acrobats, still-walkers and "Dragon" displays were the chief attraction. As the photographs of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen and of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek passed, the crowds cheered and shouted "Long Live China," "Long Live Generalissimo Chiang."

The celebrations lasted well into the early hours of the morning.

Police Busy

Every available inch of standing and sitting space on roof tops, verandahs, pill-boxes, fences and walls was occupied long before the procession started.

The Police rendered magnificent service, keeping back crowds so deep and maintaining order along the route of the procession, which took fully two hours to pass a given point. As the "Dragons" passed the Hong Kong and Macao Branch of the Kuomintang Office in Marina House, they turned and after a short exhibition, "paid their respects" before proceeding.

Armistice Day Appeal

It has been decided that "Remembrance Day" will be observed in Hong Kong this year on Sunday, Nov. 10, on which day poppies will be on sale from 8 a.m. to noon. Distribution is being organised as usual by the Hong Kong Branch of the British Legion, and it is hoped that as many ladies as possible will assist in the selling. Names should be sent to Mrs. W. H. Latimer, 6 Kadoorie Avenue, who is organising the Kowloon area, and to Mrs. E. J. R. Mitchell, 11 Abermore Court, May Road, who is arranging Hong Kong sales.

Wreaths will be laid at the Cenotaph, and Service Units, organisations or firms requiring poppies, wreaths are requested to communicate with Miss Lucy Tse, Clover Flower Shop, Gloucester Arcade, who will furnish particulars. Orders should be placed not later than Oct. 18. It is requested that poppies should be ordered through the British Legion only, excepting in the case of the Land Forces who have obtained their supplies direct from England. Requirements should be addressed to Mrs. E. J. R. Mitchell.

In addition, the Hong Kong Hotel has arranged a special dance for the passengers tomorrow in the Roof Garden at which the vessel's own band, under Tino Gatchalian, will play. A second dance on the first floor of the Hong Kong Hotel (the Grips) has been arranged for Monday at which the Hotel's band will play. Both dances are open to the general public.

No Room For Social Injustice In Colony

A message from Mr. Arthur Creech-Jones, the new Secretary of State for the Colonies to His Excellency the Governor, Sir Mark Young, states:—

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"I am privileged to follow a distinguished and hardworking Colonial Secretary in your service in an office of such vital importance and responsibility; my deep interest in Colonial progress and welfare is familiar to you and I know I shall enjoy the friendship, confidence and goodwill of yourself, your staff, advisers and Councils. I want also to feel that the Colonial Office and myself have the confidence of the Colonial people."

"The British Government and Parliament feel and have shown a deep and sympathetic concern for the happiness and prosperity of the people of the Colonies which is shared more and more widely by their fellow citizens in this country."

"We are living in an age of great significance in human history, a formative period in which new forces and new ideas wield an ever-increasing influence on the lives and destinies of men. Here in London we are fully conscious of the tremendous tasks which face us; we shall do our best to tackle them and in doing so we offer you in a spirit of friendship and confidence the same full and complete co-operation which I hope and believe you will extend to us."

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slow but Colonial Administrations must be bold, imaginative and energetic and the people interested, active and understanding as they move—and they are everywhere moving—towards greater responsibilities."

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THEATRE

Tourist Ship Due To-Day

The s.s. Halekuala, first cruise ship to visit Hong Kong since the war, is due to berth at No. 1 wharf of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. today with some 250 first class round-trip tourist passengers from Manila.

During the ship's three-day stay in Hong Kong the passengers will go on sightseeing trips on the island and in the New Territories.

The "Halekuala" has been acquired on time charter by the De La Rama Steamship Co. from the Hawaiian owners, the Inter-Island Steam-Navigation Co. She is a passenger ship with a gross tonnage of 3,679 tons and was built by the Sun Shipbuilding Co. of Chester, Pennsylvania, in 1923. Her overall length is 345 feet and breadth 48 feet.

The De La Rama Steamship have arranged with Travel Advisers for shore excursions and the latter company has organised conducted tours for which newly arrived motor lorries have been specially converted and seats installed.

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P.O.W.'s HAD HOT WATER BOTTLES

That P.O.W.'s in the camp hospital were given seven blankets each as well as hot water bottles was stated by one of the accused when the war crimes trial was resumed yesterday. Several witnesses for the defence alleged that they had never seen or heard of beatings of P.O.W.'s in the mine.

Cpl. Ueno, together with Sgt. Tashiro Toranosuke and Cpl. Kuribayashi Shigeru, Japanese medical orderlies, is charged with being concerned in the inhuman treatment of P.O.W.'s in Kinkaseki Camp, thereby causing physical suffering to them and contributing to the death of many.

They have all pleaded not guilty through their Defence Counsel, Mr. Fujita Tetsuo, who is assisted by Capt. P. E. Kostloff as Adviser. Major P. A. L. Vine, Royal Marines, is prosecuting. The trial is being heard before Lieut.-Col. R. C. Laming (Deputy of the JAG in India) Barrister-at-Law, President, JAG Branch, Canadian Army, and Capt. K. R. Busfield, R.A.C., Members.

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Cpl. Kuribayashi Shigeru said that he gave patients in hospital seven blankets each and that he had a reserve of 200 blankets. He also provided patients with hot water bottles. Ueno kept a record of all drugs received, but those from the International Red Cross were handed over direct to the POW doctor. These drugs were kept under lock and key by the POW doctor. If the POW doctor did not have sufficient space in which to store his drugs, the balance would be handed to Ueno for storage. During the absence of Ueno, Kuribayashi said that he would see that bottles were filled.

Kuribayashi denied that he had sent sick men to work. It was unthinkable that the sick should be sent to the mine. It was also impossible that the N.C.O. in charge of the working party would take sick men. The POW doctor decided the fitness of a man.

Accused Sorry

Kuribayashi said that Daley was the only POW he had beaten up and he was now very sorry for what he had done. Kuribayashi also said that he knew Griffiths. On the orders of Tashiro, he went to the mine hospital for serum and operating instruments. He ran as fast as he could and took five or six minutes.

Cross-examined, Kuribayashi said that there was some port wine in the M. I. Room and large numbers of POWs who were not sick turned up just for the sake of obtaining a small portion. Sometimes a number of them

One-Eyed Foreman

Lieut. Kawara, Iwao said that he knew Sergeant Daley through examination of his diary in the presence of Cpl. Kuribayashi and an interpreter. On this occasion, witness added, Cpl. Ueno was not present.

After warning witness that he was not obliged to answer if he considered the question incriminating Major Vine, prosecuting, asked: Cpl. Kuribayashi said in his evidence that he was ordered to strike Daley three times. Was that your order?—I would like to tell the Court at my trial.

The next witness called was one-eyed Takeuchi Seichi, a foreman of the copper mine between July 1942 and March 1945, whose duties were to teach POWs how to use the drilling instruments. According to the mine's regulations, he said, P.O.W.s were to work only eight hours every day during which they were allowed recesses and tiffin time.

No Beatings

He thought all POWs working in the mine were healthy and he had never seen any sick POW in the mine. The distance between the Camp and the mine was about 2,500 metres and was difficult even for normal persons to cover, therefore it was impossible for a sick POW to walk the distance.

To Major Vine, witness said he never maintained close contact with P.O.W.s and never saw them working in the mine except when he occasionally inspected the working place. During his period in the mine, he added, he had never seen or heard of beatings. The last witness for the defence was Nagai Takio, whose duties were to escort P.O.W.s from the Camp to the mine. Witness said that only perfectly fit P.O.W.s were accepted by him. The examination was carried out first by the P.O.W. doctor.

To Major Vine, witness said that he could not remember any case of sick P.O.W.s being taken to the mine, but there were many cases in which P.O.W.s suddenly became sick while working and were sent back to the Camp.

No Bert Bert

Witness said that he had never seen any P.O.W.s with swollen legs or suffering from bert bert. At this stage, Mr. Fujita, defending, informed the Court that he had presented all the defence witnesses, except a Japanese doctor whose presence in Court was impossible due to illness. The witness's sworn statement would, however, be ready to be submitted at the next hearing.

The Court was adjourned to 10 a.m. on Monday when Defence and Prosecution Counsel will sum up. Meanwhile, the Court has requested Mr. Fujita to forward a copy of the Japanese doctor's sworn statement to Major Vine.

H.K. Manufacturers Air A Grievance

Hong Kong's knitting industry has suffered a setback as the result of Government's clamping down on export of cotton goods and textiles following representations from the Chinese authorities to help in curbing the smuggling of cotton yarn out of China.

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Readers' Letters

Come Down To Earth

Sir—It is with tears in our eyes that we pen this misgiving on reading of the sorry plight of the "Cream of Britain's Manpower."

After five years of work under these potential Nabobs we beg to differ.

No doubt "young woman" is quite correct for the number of cases who climbed by sheer grit and ability, but what of the vast number who took the escalator route via the "Old School Tie," Oxford accent and wood connections.

Had "young woman" served in the Forces, she would have been able to discern the difference in matter of administration and executive control between the industrial world and the Services; the one conducted by business acumen and backed with tact, the other reinforced by hide-bound regulations and "Red Tape."

The time has come for these "Temporary Gentlemen" to come down to earth, with the rude awakening that the well-defined barriers in the Services do not exist in "Civilian Street." In industry, the executive grades direct personally, and incur responsibility, not a system of praise

reserved for upper and blame for the lower strata.

It was noted in the Commons the other week that the recruitment figures for the Forces were far below expectations; well here is the solution—Join the Army and see how the other half live.

FIVE YEARS OF THE "CREAM"
(Or Was It Skimmed Milk?)

Gang Show
Sir—As a civvy who was privileged to see the R.A.F. Gang Show at the Star Theatre on opening night, I should like to record the extremely favourable review you gave of this fine entertainment.

It is indeed a pity that the "house full" signs were not put up as this was one of the best Service shows I have ever seen. Many of my Service friends have been grumbling to me that their entertainment wants are not catered for, and until now I have sympathised with their grouse. After seeing all those rows of empty seats, however, one is tempted to ask why they don't shake themselves and wake up to the fact that some first-class entertainment is now available.

THEATRE

Viet-Nam Attack On French

Paris, Oct. 9. Viet-Nam (Annamite) forces have attacked French troops in the area of Varella-Angkor, Koh and Koutum, in Southern Indo-China, an announcement by the French official Information Bureau in Saigon received here today reported.

The French have counter-attacked with aircraft. The agreement between the French Government and the Viet-Nam Republic set up by Annamite Nationalists in French Indo-China after the Japanese surrender was signed by M. Marius Moutet, the French Minister for Overseas Territories, and Dr. Ho Chi-minh, president of the Viet-Nam, on Sept. 14, after negotiations at Fontainebleau, regarding the status of the Viet-Nam in Indo-Chinese Federation.

On Sept. 26 French news Agency reports said that the Viet-Nam Cabinet, after Dr. Ho Chi-minh had been attacked in pamphlets, accused him of "living too long in foreign countries and becoming their slave."—Reuter.

NEW FAR EAST AIR ROUTE

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needed. The West will come to know the East better; and the East will get acquainted with the West. Every realisation of trade opportunities will thus improve international relations.

Fleet Of 75

A fleet of 75-passenger Strato-cruisers will fly the route to the Orient. For the Northwest Airlines authorisation of the route is the culmination of 20 years of growing. The Line made its first official flight on October 1, 1926—a 400 miles hop from St. Paul to Chicago.

During the war, Northwest Airlines planes flew to Alaska, the Aleutians and occasionally, to the Orient under contract with the United States Army.—Associated Press.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

Outward Mails

GENERAL HOLIDAY
Today the General Post Office and Kowloon G.P.O. will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. for the Sale of Stamps only and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed.

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Posts close 30 minutes earlier than the time stated below:—

FRIDAY, OCT. 11
Kongmoon (Fook Hoi) 9 a.m., Macao, Tainshan and Shekhi (Kwong Fook Cheung) 10 a.m., Shanghai (Smolny) 10 a.m., Haiphong (Alexandre de Rhodes) noon.
Airmail for Singapore, Colombo, Rangoon, Calcutta, Johannesburg, Delhi, Cairo, London, Sydney and Auckland (By Air) Kowloon G.P.O. (Reg.) 1 p.m., (Ord.) 1.30 p.m.; G.P.O. (Reg.) 1.30 p.m., (Ord.) 2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via London (Glenafarie) Kowloon G.P.O. (Par.) 2 p.m., (Reg.) 2 p.m., (Ord.) 2.30 p.m.; G.P.O. (Par.) 2.30 p.m., (Reg.) 2.30 p.m., (Ord.) 3 p.m.

Airmail for Canton, Chungking and Kunning (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m. Tsamkong (Kwongchowwan) (Tolsan) 4 p.m.
Canton (By Train) 4 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCT. 12
Airmail for Canton and Shanghai (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 9.30 a.m., (Ord.) 10 a.m.
Swatow & Amoy (Vap Heutz) 10 a.m.

Bangkok (Booshing) 10 a.m., Straits (Bentong) 10 a.m., Macao, Tainshan and Shekhi (Kwong Sai) 11 a.m., Shanghai (Hanyang) 3 p.m., Straits (Empire Jamaica) 3 p.m.

Airmail for Canton, Kunning and Chungking (C.A.T.C. Plane) (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m. Canton (By Train) 4 p.m.

SUNDAY, OCT. 13
Macao, Tainshan and Shekhi (Kwong Fook Cheung) (Reg.) 5 p.m., 12/10, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 13/10. Canton (Tainshan) (Reg.) 5 p.m., 12/10, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 13/10.
Airmail for Hothow, Kwellin, Hankow and Nanking (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 5 p.m., 12/10, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 13/10.
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TWILIGHT OF MARSHALL MISSION IN CHINA?

Anglo-Jewish Committee

London, Oct. 10. A Jewish Agency spokesman said yesterday that a joint Anglo-Jewish committee would examine prospects of relaxing the drastic emergency regulations in Palestine, the proclamation of a general amnesty for Jewish prisoners and the early immigration of approximately 7,000 illegal immigrants at present interned in Cyprus.

The spokesman said the joint committee would probably be set up during the scheduled meeting yesterday afternoon between the Colonial Secretary, Arthur Creech Jones, and representatives of the Jewish Agency.

Both the Colonial Office and Jewish Agency officials described the talks taking place between their representatives as being designed to improve general conditions in the Holy Land, preliminary to securing Jewish participation in ultimate higher level negotiations for a Palestine settlement.

The present discussions were initiated last week when Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin and the former Colonial Secretary, George Hall, met Dr. Chaim Weizmann, world President of the Jewish Agency, and other Jewish leaders.

The spokesman said if agreement could be reached on the issues named, the Jews would resume contact with Mr. Bevin who had assumed full responsibility for the direction of Palestine's political future.—Associated Press.

Yugoslavia Pays Up

Washington, Oct. 10. Yugoslavia up to yesterday had paid the United States \$37,500 indemnity for the deaths of the five American airmen who were shot down over Yugoslavia on Aug. 19.

At the same time, the State Department announced that the United States still hopes to obtain additional indemnities from Yugoslavia for the loss of the two transport planes forced down, a claim which Yugoslavia has so far rejected.

Five American airmen were killed when an unarmed United States Army transport was forced down by Yugoslav fighters. Another transport was forced to make a crash landing on Aug. 9, but no lives were lost in that case.

The announcement said the United States had acknowledged receipt of the money which, in compliance with Yugoslavia's request, will be distributed equally among the families of the dead men.—Associated Press.

New B-50's

Washington, Oct. 9. A U.S. Army Air Forces spokesman said that the new B-50 Superforts, like all other very heavy bombardment types, are capable of carrying atomic bombs but that does not necessarily mean that their bomb bays are specifically equipped for this purpose.

Even longer range planes are being designed and built for the projected postwar U.S. Air Force. The design has a trend toward jet-propelled bombers.

A substantial portion of the B-50s are to be built by Boeing; while a Kansas plant now also is constructing parts for 80 Strato-cruisers and C-97 military transports.—Associated Press.

BATAVIA TRUCE TALKS

Batavia, Oct. 9. The Dutch-Indonesian Truce Committee, set up on Monday to work out conditions for a truce as the first step towards a negotiated settlement of Indonesia's future, held its meeting today under the chairmanship of Lord Killeen, British Special Commissioner in Southeast Asia.

The Dutch are represented on the committee by Dr. Hubertus van Mook, Lieutenant Governor General, and Professor Schermerhorst, head of the Dutch Commission General.—Reuter.

NEW SWEDISH PREMIER

Stockholm, Oct. 10. The Education Minister Mr. Erlander, definitely is to become Sweden's new Prime Minister. He was elected chairman of the social Democrat Parliament group today.

According to tradition, that means that the King will ask him to take the responsibility of Government leader.—Associated Press.

Nanking, Oct. 10. While Chiang Kai-shek made a radio speech to the nation and Communist General Chou En-lai held a press conference in Shanghai, each urging peace on his own terms, the Chinese civil war sped on.

The Government drove closer on Kalgan and the Communists hotly besieged Paoting.

General George C. Marshall, Special Envoy from the United States, flew from Nanking to Shanghai and conferred briefly with Chou but returned almost immediately.

Chou, who was the chief Communist negotiator in the now suspended peace talks, declined to comment on reports that Marshall vainly tried to persuade him to return to Nanking for new talks. Chou said he was ready to resume the negotiations only if the Government would indefinitely call off the advance on Kalgan and move its troops to positions of last January in China proper and last June in Manchuria.

Not A Chance
This would mean relinquishment of considerable gains the Government made and observers are convinced there is not the slightest chance of Chiang accepting this or the eight reorganization points Chou suggested.

Chiang's radio address appealed to the Communists to abandon "the plot to achieve regional domination of the country by military force." Chiang said on the eve of the 35th anniversary of China's revolution that the internal strife had halted national reconstruction for ten months.

Nanking, Shanghai and other big cities expected elaborate celebrations of the "Double Ten" holiday but there was no holiday for the troops fighting the civil war.

Chou's Proposals
Chou En-lai's eight political proposals included:

One, for the Communists and Democratic League to have 14 seats in the State Council.

Second, that reorganization of the State Council be discussed at the same time as reorganization of the Executive Yuan.

Third, a proposal for automatic adoption of the draft constitution previously agreed upon by all parties.

Other proposals included one for reorganization of the Government to precede the convocation of the National Assembly and finally Chou called upon Chiang to implement without delay the freedoms he promised the people on Jan. 10.

Chou maintained all the proposals accorded with previous agreements but observers were convinced there was no hope of the Generalissimo accepting them.

Door Reopened?
Shanghai, Oct. 10. General Chou En-lai has reopened the door to further peace negotiations in a formal letter to General Marshall rejecting the 10-day truce proposal but expressing his willingness and that of the Communist party to resume discussions for the cessation of hostilities and the reorganization of the Government and army if the Chinese Government will immediately call off its drive against Kalgan "indefinitely."

General Chou said the Communists were making the offer to "show their utmost sincerity and willingness to make concessions."

The letter contains a series of conditions for both the cessation of hostilities and the reorganization of the Government.—Reuter.

Chiang Resumes Conscription
Nanking, Oct. 10. The Chinese Military Bureau announced today that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek had issued nationwide instructions for the resumption of military conscription, effective today.

The report, as carried in the pro-Government newspaper "Ta Kung Pao," said that Generalissimo Chiang's message stressed the importance of laying the foundations now for military reconstruction and strengthened national defense.—Associated Press.

CHIANG'S TERM EXTENDED

Nanking, Oct. 10. Chiang Kai-shek was re-elected President of the Republic of China today by the Standing Committee of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee.

The President's legal term under Article 13 of the National Organic Law expired yesterday after a three-year tenure of office.

According to a resolution adopted by the Standing Committee, Generalissimo Chiang will serve until he or a successor is elected President under the new constitution to be adopted by the National Assembly.—Reuter.

TO SETTLE DISPUTES

Shanghai, Oct. 10. The Chinese Government has decided to set up a Sino-American "commercial association" for the settlement of disputes between American and Chinese business interests, according to a semi-official Chinese report.

It is probable that the powers of the association will be extended later to handle disputes involving other foreign interests besides American.—Reuter.

RUSSIA CLAIMING RYUKUS?

Washington, Oct. 9. American diplomatic quarters are anticipating a Russian plan to stake a claim to the Ryuku chain of islands between Japan and Formosa, according to reports here which "highly placed United States officials" are giving as their private opinion.

They add that the United States would oppose this move on the grounds that if the islands are to be taken from Japan they should go to China or be placed under United Nations trusteeship solely administered by China, the United States State Department is reported to have said.—Reuter.

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Failure Of A Mission?
Generalissimo Chiang spoke a few hours after General Marshall had returned from a dramatic flight to Shanghai to confer with General Chou En-lai, the chief Communist negotiator, who stated in a blunt rejection of the latest peace plan put forward by American mediators that he saw "no reason to return to Nanking."

Informed observers believe this is the twilight of General Marshall's abortive peace-making mission.—Associated Press & Reuter.

Door Reopened?
Shanghai, Oct. 10. General Chou En-lai has reopened the door to further peace negotiations in a formal letter to General Marshall rejecting the 10-day truce proposal but expressing his willingness and that of the Communist party to resume discussions for the cessation of hostilities and the reorganization of the Government and army if the Chinese Government will immediately call off its drive against Kalgan "indefinitely."

General Chou said the Communists were making the offer to "show their utmost sincerity and willingness to make concessions."

The letter contains a series of conditions for both the cessation of hostilities and the reorganization of the Government.—Reuter.

Chiang Resumes Conscription
Nanking, Oct. 10. The Chinese Military Bureau announced today that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek had issued nationwide instructions for the resumption of military conscription, effective today.

The report, as carried in the pro-Government newspaper "Ta Kung Pao," said that Generalissimo Chiang's message stressed the importance of laying the foundations now for military reconstruction and strengthened national defense.—Associated Press.

Left Wingers Sacked
Athens, Oct. 9. Dr. Papadimitou, Greek Minister of Education, has dismissed 13 Left Wing professors from the Athens and Salonika universities.

Among them are Professor Alexander Svolos, Acting Premier when the Greek Government fled to the mountains during the German occupation; and Professor Angelopoulos, Under-Secretary of State for Finance to the Liberation Committee.

Dr. Papadimitou has also dismissed two high officials in his own ministry who are stated to belong to Left Wing parties.—Reuter.

Any Pretext Was Good Enough
(By Frank White)

Tokyo, Oct. 10. The attitude of the Japanese General Staff in 1931 was that any pretext should be used to attack Russia, associate Soviet prosecutor Colonel A. Ivanov told the International Military Tribunal in presenting documents which showed Japanese intentions of seizing Eastern Siberia at the earliest opportunity.

Ivanov presented as evidence an inscription on the back of a photograph which was identified by former Lieutenant General Yukio Kasahara, then military attaché at the Japanese Embassy in Moscow, as a record of the conversation between defendant Koki Hirota, then Ambassador to Russia, and a Major General Harada at the Moscow Embassy in 1931.

This conversation concerned matters to be transmitted to the Japanese General Staff.

Harada was quoted as saying that aside from whether Japan would wage war against Russia, it was necessary for Japan to have a strong policy against Soviet Russia, being ready for war at any time. Its principle

Father And Son Buried

The re-interment of the remains of the late Mr. Henry E. Budden, 68, and his son, the late Mr. Gilbert E. Budden, 24, who died in 1943 in the P.O.W. Camp at Shumshuipo, took place at the Colonial Cemetery yesterday afternoon. Cannon Conley Doyle conducted the service at the graveside.

The chief mourner was Mr. Budden's daughter, Miss Barbara Budden, while the pall bearers for the late Mr. H.E. Budden were Messrs. Hooper, Strange, Johnson, McNay, Tribble, Woolgar, Buckingham and Hill, of the United Services Lodge No. 1341 E.C. and the pall bearers for the late Mr. G.E. Budden, Messrs. Shaw, Aitken, March, Spradbery, MacFayden and Cottam of the Cathay Lodge No. 4373 E.C.

Those present were Major Kite, representing His Excellency the Governor, Sir Mark Young and Lady Young, Captain G.L.M. Salter and Capt. C.J. Blake, Superintendent of the Royal Naval Dockyard, Lieut. Col. E.J.B. Mitchell, Mr. F.C. Mow Fun, Sub-Inspector Hill, Mr. E.L. Strange, Mr. G. Johnson, Mr. H. Strange, F. Brett, Messrs. C.B. Brown, C. Fox, R.F.K. Jones, Miss Naylor, Mr. Kennard, J. Boyd, A.E. Manwaring, H.J. Gosby, D.O. Silver, S. Kerrison, Chief Inspector Alexander, Mrs. Medley, H. Strange, Lai Chew, Li Wing and many others.

Floral tributes were from Barbara, Pop, Gillie, Charles and Eileen, Sir Mark Young and Lady Young, Barbara and Charlie Spradbery, Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Hollands, Barbara Redwood and Margaret and Grosse, Friends Secretariat, Lai Chew and Li Wing, W.M. Officers and Brethren of the United Services Lodge 1341 E.C. Hong Kong, W.M. Officers and Brethren of the St. George's Lodge 1968, E.C. Portsmouth, W.M. Officers and Brethren of Cathay Lodge 4373, E.C. Hong Kong, R.W.M. Officers and Brethren of Lodge St. John 618, S.C. Hong Kong, W.M. Officers and Brethren of Lodge Eastern Scotts 923, S.C. Hong Kong, W.M. Officers and Brethren of University Lodge N3666, E.C. Hong Kong, Masonic Brethren of the former P.O.W. Camp, Shumshuipo, W.M. Officers and Brethren of Lodge Naval and Military 848, S.C. Hong Kong, and many others.

Sydney, Oct. 9. Packed in ice-filled vacuum flasks, supplies for the artificial insemination of 100 Jersey cows reached Australia today from a Pennsylvania United States stud farm, after a six-day flight around the world via Britain.—Reuter.

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Still Long Way From Recovery

Tokyo, Oct. 10. China is still a long way from war-recovery but her present problems are not impossible of solution. Lt. Gen. Chu Shih-ming, chief of the Chinese mission in Japan, declared in a brief speech commemorating the 35th anniversary of the Republic.

He paid a tribute to the Republic's founder, Dr. Sun Yat-sen, and expressed confidence the people will not fail to attain the great future he promised.

Chu addressed the Chinese community and members of the mission.

"A few old residents of Tokyo can still remember the tireless efforts of Dr. Sun while he was a political exile in Japan some 40 years ago," General Chu said, adding it was here that the Chinese revolutionary party was born in August of 1905.

"The Chinese Republic in its 35 years has fought with formidable opposition, both internal and external," he declared. "It has won credible victories and suffered temporary setbacks and disappointments."

"The latter perhaps are unavoidable when a great effort is made to change the life and habits of a nation."

"China is still a long way from recovery. It will take years of efforts to repair the damage and devastation caused by eight years of war. But her problems of the hour, however difficult and formidable, are not impossible of solution."

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WORLD FACES MENACE OF MALNUTRITION

London, Oct. 10. Despite medical and scientific conquest of the world's worst diseases, malnutrition—the world's deadliest menace to life—must still be overcome.

The medical journal *Lancet*, surveying the relationship of current food problems to health, claims that malnutrition is now the most vital problem facing the world.

It has superseded deaths caused by disease, famine and war. It is more destructive than Black Death, cholera, influenza and the ever-present pneumonia, V. D. and malaria. In Africa, India and the Far East malaria rivals, and possibly outstrips, malnutrition as the cause of infant mortality, and lowers adult resistance to other infections, causing at least 5,000,000 deaths each year.

The low birthrate is a direct result of V. D. sterility. Even during the war the disease caused more deaths than enemy action.

Germany is still paying for devastation caused by the disease during the 30 years' war.

Only the atomic bomb is lethally comparable to pathogenic parasites.

Lancet says that the new "wonder drugs"—penicillin, penicillin and the sulphonamides—in addition to clinical progress enable us to effectively fight these infections.

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Penicillin is additionally advantageous against V. D., yaws, and tropical ulcers. Although effective remedies against the virus of tuberculosis are lacking, even after 10 years' research, there is hope for results in the next 10.

There still remains malnutrition as civilisation's greatest threat.

Many people in the Western world are not aware that 90 per cent of people in tropical countries, although they sometimes eat the adequate number of calories, are almost always deficient in proteins and vitamins.

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Jews Not Pleased

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The Palestine Conference is scheduled to be resumed on Dec. 18 and the British Government is reported not to be contemplating any change before then.

Maintaining that the 1,500 immigrant rate was a "purely arbitrary" figure, chosen by the British Government, the Jewish Agency spokesman stressed that the coming winter for most European Jewish displaced persons would mean at least their second winter in a camp.

He also mentioned that in Cyprus, where about 4,000 Jewish displaced persons were interned, is now in the midst of the rainy season.—Associated Press.

London Talks

London, Oct. 9. Representatives of the Jewish Agency called at the Colonial Office twice today for discussions with Sir George Gater, the Permanent Under-Secretary. It is understood that the talks continued the general discussion on the Palestine problem started yesterday between Dr. Chaim Weizmann, the President of the Jewish Agency and Mr. A. Creech-Jones, the Colonial Secretary.

Well informed quarters in London believe that no decisions have been reached but the discussions are to continue.—Reuter.

Answer To World Peace

New York, Oct. 10. Gen. George C. Kenney, No. 12 man in the U.S. Army Air Force, said today that eventual abolition of all national armies, navies and air corps in favour of an international force was the answer to world peace.

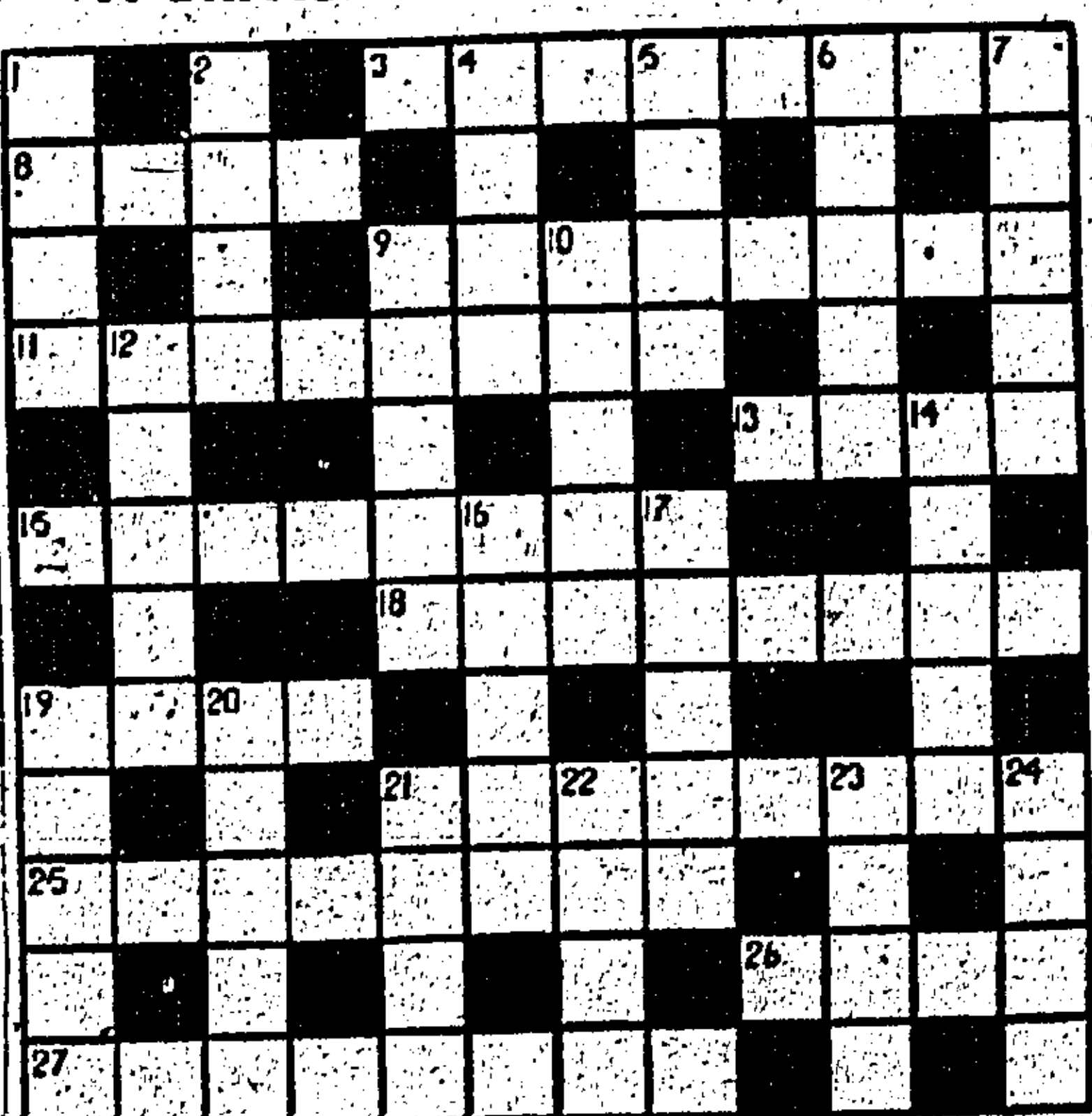
Kenney is senior United States representative on the United Nations military staff committee which is laying plans for organization of a global force to maintain peace.

Cautioning he was taking the long range view, Kenney said in an interview that without an international military force, the world faces war.

"This may take years to accomplish but the real answer lies with the countries of the world turning over their forces to the United Nations," he said.—Associated Press.

objective, it is equally important to re-establish early non-agricultural industries, so that the purchasing power of all countries may cover food costs.

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It Still Worries Moscow

London, Oct. 9. The Moscow Radio's commentary "Analyst" said today that the United States and British policy in maintaining military bases in non-enemy territories "cannot but give rise to concern."

"The fact that American forces in China are definitely meddling in Chinese internal affairs only increases this concern," he said.

Declaring that "Great Britain is of course also keen on keeping bases abroad," the commentator referred to the British forces in Egypt, Iraq and Greece. In the Panama Canal Zone, the United States was retaining military bases "quite regardless of the native population."

Many such bases in Latin America were still in United States hands and it was "common knowledge" that the United States is determined to keep air and naval bases in the Philippines.

In China, he added, the United States was keeping "quite a sizeable army" and a large number of American military advisers were "busy drilling an army" scores of Kuomintang divisions which is then rapidly dispatched

Doubts About Bulgaria

London, Oct. 9. The United States Government was today consulting Britain about a Bulgarian request that Major General Vladimir Stojchev, Bulgarian political representative in Washington, be appointed Bulgarian Minister there.

To date the Bulgarian Government has not been recognised by either the United States or Britain and Britain has not even been willing to receive a Bulgarian political agent in London.

Until the Bulgarian Government has been recognised neither Britain nor the United States will be in a position to sign a peace with Bulgaria.

The Big Three Foreign Ministers conference, held in Moscow last December worked out a basis for recognition of both the Rumanian and Bulgarian Governments by the Western Powers.

In the case of Bulgaria it was agreed that the Government should be recognised after it had been broadened by the inclusion of two members of the democratic opposition groups who were both truly representative of their parties and capable of working closely with the administration.

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Vital Premise Of U.S. Employment Plan

(By Sydney Gampell, Reuters City Editor)

London, Oct. 9.

The vital premise of "approximately full employment" in last December's Washington proposals for the International Trade Organisation has been watered down in Washington's proposed new charter to "useful employment opportunities for those able and willing and seeking to work."

The identical watering down in what was originally the United States full employment bill was regarded, according to viewpoint, as rati-
fying or realism. Probably it is the latter, but what matters is not the expression of aim but the concrete measures taken and not merely rhetorically proposed to attain it.

Australia, New Zealand and other countries have consistently pressed to strengthen this full employment provision but Washington's new charter seems to weaken it.

Washington seems genuinely hurt by Indian, Latin-American and other suspicions of Washington's motives about industrialisation of backward countries.

The charter commits it to encourage it and calls on it to formulate recommendations. But again there seems nothing concrete except the statement that by providing technical assistance and other types of aid, the United States hopes to persuade these countries against unduly restrictive tariff policies.

Bulk Buying

The United States Department of Agriculture already implies that an inter-governmental cartel will be needed for wheat's over-production, after the 1947 harvest, when it says that large surpluses will again accumulate "unless means are effective to curtail production."

The State Department, however, favours a much more temporary and milder type of inter-governmental cartels than do the United States Department of Agriculture (Organisation which postulate powers that private cartels would never have dreamed of arrogating).

Washington's charter tries to handle the question of bulk buying by stipulating that the margin between the cost price and selling price of any governmental

N.Y. Stock Market

New York, Oct. 10.
Stock leaders skidded one to around seven points on heavy selling as the market suffered its sharpest break in more than two weeks.

The early downturn was led by rails, some motors and industrials while steel softened under the impact of noon hour offerings that flooded the ticker and left the tape two minutes behind for a short period.

Prices steadied but retreated again near the close with final quotations of many issues at new lows for the year or longer.

Chrysler was a weak spot, reflecting the curtailment of operations. Packard dipped fractionally on a 25,000 share bloc but General Motors held close to previous levels.

Major losers included United States Steel, Bethlehem, Youngstown Sheet and Metal, Southern Railway, Union Pacific, Santa Fe, Kennecott Copper, International Harvester, Goodrich, Eastman Kodak, Coca Cola and Montgomery Ward.

The selling was regarded by some brokers as a feeling in some quarters that the list had not reached the low point of decline.

The Dow Jones closing averages: 20 Industrials 163.12, 15 Rails 44.69, 10 Utilities 33.20, Stocks 58.53.

Closing quotations:
Adams Express 13%, Alaska Juneau 5, American Can 79%, American Smelting 48, American Telephone 179, American Tobacco 77%, American Waterworks 14%, Anaconda Copper 35%, Aviation Corporation 6%, Baldwin Locomotive 19, Bendis 22%, Bendix Aviation 32%, Bethlehem Steel 24, Boeing Aircraft 22%, Borden Co. 48, Canadian Pacific 12%, J. I. Case 35, Chrysler 79%, Colgate 46%, Commercial Solvents 31, Corn Products 61, Dupont de Nemours 170, Eastman Kodak 201, Electric Light & Power 13%, General Electric 36%, Goodrich 65%, Goodyear 51, Homestake Mining 36, International Harvester 69, International Paper 40%, International Tel. & Tel. 16%, Johns Manville 119, Kennecott Copper 42%, Montgomery Ward 35%, National Distillers 21%, National Lead 29, New York Central 14%, Packard Motors 6, Pan-American Airways 14, Pennsylvania RR 25, Radio Corporation 9%, Republic Steel 25%, Reynolds Tobacco 37%, Schenley 59%, Sears Roebuck 37, Shell Oil 29%, Socony Vacuum 14, Southern Pacific 39%, Standard Oil of California 56%, Standard Oil of New Jersey 54%, Standard Oil of Ohio 54%, Standard Oil of Indiana 54%, Standard Oil of Kentucky 54%, Standard Oil of Texas 54%, Standard Oil of Wisconsin 54%, U.S. Rubber 52%, Westinghouse 24, Youngstown Sheet & Tube 59.

—Associated Press.

New York Exchanges

New York, Oct. 9.
American A/C Sterling 4.03-3/16, 4.03-4/16, American A/C Sterling 3 Months 4.03-5/16, 4.03-7/16, On Sweden 27.85 offered, France 84, 84%, Switzerland (Official) 24.00, 24.25, Switzerland (Free) 24.00, 24.80, Spain 9.20, Portugal 4.04, 4.06, Australia 3.23, New Zealand 3.25, South Africa 4.02%, British East Africa 20.25, India 30.29, China unquoted, Argentine (Official) 29.78, Argentine (Free) 24.68 offered, Brazil 5.45, Bolivia (Official) 2.00, Bolivia (Free) 2.38, Chile (Official) 5.16, Chile (Free) 5.16, Chile (Export) 4.00, Colombia 56.98, Cuba 100, Ecuador 7.60n, Guatemala 100, Holland 37.78, Mexico 20.57, 20.61, Peru 16.50 offered, Uruguay 56.00, 56.50, Venezuela 29.90, Netherlands West Indies 93.00, Dutch Guiana 63.05, Montreal on London 4.02, Montreal on New York 66.875, Swiss Bank Notes rate 29.04, 31.00, Belgium France 2.27%, 2.28%—Reuter.

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SEARCH ABANDONED FOR R.A.F. CRAFT

After intensive search of the area where wreckage of the R.A.F. passenger York aircraft MV125 was discovered by an R.A.F. Sunderland 60 miles west of Penang on Monday afternoon, no further traces of the disaster were discovered and the search was abandoned on Tuesday night. All aircraft and shipping concerned have returned to their bases.

The last communication from the York was received at Butterworth (Penang) and Kuala Lumpur at 2.45 p.m. on Sunday afternoon when the wireless operator asked for a bearing from the former station. Although the required information was sent immediately from the Ground Direction Finding Station and was repeated three times, the signals were not acknowledged.

When the aircraft was reported overdue at Singapore on Sunday evening, Emergency Proceedings were put in hand by RAF Area Control Centre at Katong (Singapore) and a plan of search worked out during the night so that aircraft would be over the search area at daylight.

U.S. PLANE BAN

Frankfurt, Oct. 10. A public relations officer at the United States Army Air Force Headquarters in Europe said today that high American authorities had forbidden both military and civilian planes of the United States to fly into Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Rumania. The officer said "That is all I am permitted to tell you."

ing the night so that aircraft would be over the search area at daylight. In order that all search operations should be co-ordinated and maximum effort sustained, an RAF senior officer flew to Butterworth to direct proceedings.

Under control of the RAF Station, Seletar, 20 aircraft including Dakotas, Mosquitos and Sunderlands flying boats took off before dawn on Monday, and set course for their allotted areas of search.

No Survivors

At mid-day a searching Sunderland force landed on the sea with engine trouble and a sea-going tug was dispatched from Penang to render assistance. Before it arrived on the scene a BOAC Sunderland had spotted the sister aircraft on the water and circled it for nearly an hour until it was assumed that the RAF aircraft and crew were in no danger.

Later, the RAF Sunderland managed to restart the engines but was unable to take off owing to the state of the sea. It therefore proceeded to taxi a hundred odd miles to Georgetown, Penang. Late in the afternoon the flying boat came across a body supported by a life-jacket, and a Dakota, flying overhead at the same time, spotted several victims and pieces of yellow floats from the missing York. As it was impracticable to pull any bodies out of the water the Sunderland established its position and continued the journey to the mainland. During the night the aircraft lost contact with the tug which carried no wireless.

During the search it was found that pieces of the York were spread over a 60 square mile area which decentralised the operation and made location of any possible survivors difficult. There is no possibility of the aircraft had obviously broken up on hitting the water.

A Justice Department spokesman said, meanwhile, that the Department had asked 17 Europeans who attended the recent American Slav Congress in New York to register as agents of a foreign power.

The Russian Vice-Consul in Washington has made representation to the State Department on behalf of 11 Russians and Ukrainians who were among those named. Associated Press.

U.S. HOLIDAY

New York, Oct. 10. Most major securities and commodity exchanges in the United States will be closed on Saturday, Oct. 12 in observance of Columbus Day. The Winnipeg grain and Chicago livestock market will be open. Canadian commodities and securities exchange will close Monday, Oct. 14 in observance of Canadian Thanksgiving day. Associated Press.

Chinese Double Tenth Soccer Victory

MCC Down To Real Business

Perth, Oct. 9. The M.C.C. team to meet Western Australia in a three-day match beginning here on Friday is:

Hammond (captain), Yardley, Gibb, Hardstaff, Washbrook, Ikin, Edrich, Evans, Smith, Wright and Voce. Bedser is 12th man.

For this first important match of the tour the M.C.C. are apparently keeping Hutton, Compton, Fishlock, Langridge, Pollard and Bedser in reserve for the following engagement against much stronger opposition. As at Northam, Edrich will be used as opening bowler and Hammond, with both Wright and Smith appearing, can test his two right arm spinners under same conditions.

Evans will keep wicket. The other wicket-keeper, Paul Gibb, is being played as batsman. Unless rain comes the wicket will be readable. All players are glad the holiday is ending and they are about to get down to real business.

This afternoon the M.C.C. visited the Royal Agricultural Show, where the Governor General, the Duke of Gloucester, shook hands with Walter Hammond. Reuter.

NEW YORK BOUT

New York, Oct. 10. European middleweight champion Marcel Cerdan has been matched with George Abrams, of Washington, in a 10-round bout at New York's Madison Square Garden scheduled for Dec. 6. Associated Press.

Agents To Register

Washington, Oct. 9. Agents of Russia, Great Britain and other wartime allies will hereafter have to file public statements of their activities in the United States, Attorney General Tom Clark discloses.

During the war, Allied representatives were not required to make such statements, but Clark said that President Harry Truman ended the wartime policy on September 30.

Accredited diplomatic representatives and commercial agents are not affected under the Foreign Agents Registration Act.

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PASSIONARIA IN MOSCOW

Moscow, Oct. 9. Senora Dolores Ibarruri, the Spanish Communist leader known as "La Pasionaria" (passion flower) during the Spanish Civil War, is among the delegates who have arrived here for tomorrow's session of the Executive Committee of the International Women's Federation. Reuter.

A record crowd watched the exhibition football game in aid of Chinese War Charities at Causeway Bay yesterday between Combined Chinese and the Rest of the Colony which the former won by four clear goals.

The game proved that Hong Kong has no ground to take an interest in the game and, in spite of the thousands waiting, the ground had to be closed long before the kick-off.

The game was witnessed by His Excellency the Governor, Patron of the Association, Lady Young and Miss Young, Comodore Everett, Captain Nicholson, Major General Festing, G.O.C., Air Comodore Webster, A.O.C., Mr. T. W. Kwok, who kicked off, Wing Commander Connolly and Mr. W. M. Thomson.

The band of the Royal Marines, by kind permission of the Commander-in-Chief, British Pacific Fleet, played before the game and during the interval. The guests were received by Mr. A. Morse, President of the Association, Commander Robertson-Aikman, Vice-President, and Mr. Wong Ka-tsun, Chairman of the Council.

The game was well handled by Mr. Chan, a newcomer to local football.

Team Of Individuals

The Chinese fielded a strong side though the right wing combination could be improved by the inclusion of Fung King-cheung as inside right instead of Chu Wing-kuen and either Tsao Kam-bor or Tang Kong-sum on the right wing in place of Cheuk Shek-kam.

The Rest team was composed of eleven good individual players but there was a very apparent lack of understanding and cohesion, particularly in the attack and it was this more than anything else that contributed to their defeat.

No Cooperation

Actually Pope in goal did not have very much to do. He dealt confidently with all that came his way and could not be blamed for the goals that passed him. In front of him Forrow and Sinclair worked hard but they did not co-operate with the result that they had more work to do. Forrow left his right wing too free and Sinclair put in a lot of hard work and had a trying time against Tsao Tauting and Lau Shui-wing.

Livesey, the pivot, used his height to great advantage but was put off his usual game through lack of understanding of the play of the other defenders. Anderson held his own but was often drawn out of position. In the attack Redman, the leader, did well but Kwok had him well marked and he was not able to test the Chinese goal-keeper often.

Lee Wal-Tong Shines

B. Gosano was the only player in the attack who knew the Chinese play but though he went over several good centres there was no understanding with his inside forward.

Composed mostly of Sing Tao players and with a forward line that have played together before, the Chinese entered the field with a decided advantage.

Lee Wal-tong led the line well and showed that with training he could still fill a place in a senior team. He did not have many scoring chances but he held his line well and sent his shots forward through with good passes. Lai Shui-wing was the most dangerous forward in the Chinese attack and with Tsao Tauting gave the Rest defenders a gruelling afternoon. Chui Wing-kuen at inside right showed promise though he lacked experience but with more training should improve. Slight of build, he displayed good footwork and was always in position for a pass but was very weak with his passing.

Two Lessons

Play was fairly even for a time in the first half and Lee Wal-tong drew first blood with a shot that was diverted into the net out of Pope's reach. Not long after, Lai Shui-wing added another. End to end play ensued for a time and though the Rest attacked they failed in front of goal. The next goal was scored by Lai Shui-wing and this was followed shortly afterwards by the fourth by Tsao Tauting. The game has taught the Services a lesson for the forthcoming Charity game on Armistice Day. It proved that unless a team has

GYMNASTS TOUR ENGLAND

London, Oct. 10. A team of young Danish gymnasts of 12 men and 12 girls is scheduled to open a tour of England and Scotland with a demonstration in the Imperial Institute in London tonight.

Subsequently they will repeat performances of gymnastics taught in Denmark's high schools in Britain's principal cities. Their audiences will be local physical training experts. Associated Press.

Ball Game Thrills

Fenway Park, Boston, Oct. 10. "Rudy" York's tremendous 400 foot home run in the first inning with two men on base—his second game-winning home of the world series—helped Dave Ferriss earn a 4 to 0 victory over St. Louis, putting the Boston Red Sox in front two games to one.

The Sox won the opener at St. Louis on York's 10th inning homer. A capacity crowd of 34,500 thrilled to the fine pitching job by Ferriss.

Only in the ninth inning when Stan Musial unloaded a long triple did the National League champions seriously threaten when there were two out.

Ferriss struck out Slaughter to end the game. In the first inning Pesky rapped a low line single just inside third base and slid into second on Dimaggio's high bouncer.

Pitcher Murry Dickson passed the mighty Ted Williams purposely when York stepped up to connect with his tremendous homer over the left field wall on a three and two pitch.

Pesky and Williams scored ahead of him to put the Red Sox ahead 3 to 0.

In the eighth inning Ted Wilks, right-hander, went to the mound for the Cardinals.

York singled to centre. Doerr lashed a double high off the left centre field wall, sending York to third. Schoendienst fumbled E. Wagner's easy roller for the first Cardinal error. York coming in for the final score as Ferriss forced Wagner.

Ex-Champs Share Lead

Stonham, Southampton, Oct. 9. The halfway stage in the Dunlop-Masters 1,100 guineas professional golf tournament here today saw two Open ex-champions, Henry Cotton and Dick Burton sharing the lead with an aggregate of 143.

The event brings to a close the professional season and is confined to players who have won other big events this year, or the Open Championship in the past. Only 20 players are entered in the struggle for the first prize.

Max Faulkner led at the end of the first round today with 71 but Burton, with 69, set the pace in the second round. Then, Daly and Cotton, each with 68, shared the best round of the day, Cotton joining Burton in the lead, while Daly cut among several players who were only two shots behind.

Both the Overseas challengers, Bobby Locke, South Africa, and Norman Von Nida, Australia, are among those still close up to the leaders at the end of the day, being 143 Henry Cotton and Dick Burton; 145 D. J. Beag, James Adams, Fred Daly, Norman Von Nida and Max Faulkner; 146 Bobby Locke; 147 Reginald Whitcombe. Reuter.

Commando Hockey Win

In a fairly fast but spasmodic Hockey game, 42 Commando beat Le Salles College by the only goal of the match.

The Commandos were evidently taking things easy and did not show the same spirit as in their match against H.Q.L.F. Le Salles were playing their first game of the season but with some practice they should develop into a formidable side. For the Commandos, Col Saunders was the most outstanding player and proved himself to be a stampling block to the Le Salles forwards. The Commandos had most of the play but poor shooting lost

HKCC's Decisive Victory

In the first post-war inter-club cricket match, Hong Kong Cricket Club yesterday gained a decisive victory over Kowloon Cricket Club on the former's ground by six wickets.

T. A. Pearce was the hero of the match, following up a fine piece of bowling (he took 6 for 29) with an innings of 47. Together with Hart-Baker, Pearce put on 88 for the first wicket. The issue was never in doubt and H.K.C.C. passed their opponents' total with only four wickets down.

K.C.C.

D. Hurl, b Pearce	20
C.I. Stapleton, b Pearce	17
T.A. Madar, st. Hughes, b Baker	2
K.M. Baxter, lbw Pearce	4
F.R. Zimmerman, b Pearce	19
E.C. Fincher, c Bell b Pearce	12
A. Zimmerman, c Collins b Pearce	30
S.A. Gray, b Perry	18
F.A. Broadbridge not out	6
R.E. Lee, b Perry	0
H. Brokenshire, c Kilbee	0
b Perry	0
Extras	17
Total	145

Bowling

	O	M	R	W
Kilbee	6	0	26	0
Bell	6	1	23	0
Pearce	17	3	29	6
Hart-Baker	0	0	25	1
Collins	2	0	14	0
Perry	6.3	0	11	3

H.K.C.C.

T.A. Pearce, lbw F.R. Zimmerman	47
N. Hart-Baker, c Hurl b F.R. Zimmerman	42
S.C. Collins, st. A. Zimmerman b F.R. Zimmerman	46
T. Muriel, c Fincher, b F.R. Zimmerman	2
L.D. Kilbee, b Lee	12
A.E. Perry, st. A. Zimmerman b Baxter	22
C. Bell, st. A. Zimmerman b Lee	20
C.J. Kerr, b Gray	3
D. Ingham, not out	1
D.H.S. Forsyth, not out	13
Extras	13
Total (for 8 wickets)	211

Bowling

	O	M	R	W
F.R. Zimmerman	19	3	65	4
Lee	16	0	68	2
Baxter	7	0	34	1
Madar	4	0	25	0
Gray	1	0	15	1

MILLS-BAKSI FIGHT

London, Oct. 9. The fight between Freddie Mills, British cruiserweight champion, and Joe Baksi, American heavyweight, fixed for Harringay on Oct. 22, may be postponed owing to the death of Baksi's mother last night.

Baksi was due to leave for England today. In the event of a postponement the promoter, Mr. Jack Solomon, hopes to arrange a date suitable to both men for the first half of November. Reuter.

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